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SUBJECT: CSCE/CBM'S: SHARING OF OBSERVER COSTS

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1. FOREIGN OFFICE CBM OFFICIAL GESCHER PROVIDED US TODAY WITH A "NON-PAPER" IN WHICH THE FRG INDICATES ITS PREFERENCE THAT THE STATE PRINCIPALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR A GIVEN MANEUVER BEAR THE COSTS FOR OBSERVERS AND REQUESTS U.S. VIEWS.

BEGIN TEXT OF FRG PAPER: SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF OBSERVERS
IMPLEMENTATION OF CBM FOR 1976 HAS BEEN COORDINATED AMONG NATO MEMBERS IN BRUSSELS. OBSERVERS WILL BE INVITED TO THE MANEUVERS "GROSSER BAER" (6-10 SEPTEMBER), "LARES TEAM" (13-17 SEPTEMBER), "SPEARPOINT" (8-12 NOVEMBER), TAKING PLACE IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AS WELL AS "TEAMWORK 76" (10-23 SEPTEMBER) TAKING PLACE IN NORWAY.

TWO "GROSSER BAER" AND "LARES TEAM" INVITATIONS WILL BE ISSUED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE OTHER PAR-

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TICIPATING ALLIES. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL APPLY THE
SAME MODALITIES AS FOR LAST YEAR'S INVITATIONS TO
"CERTAIN TREK", I.E., OBSERVERS WILL HAVE TO BE CHOSEN
AMONGST THE MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND THE
PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE GDR ACCREDITED IN BONN.

THE INVITATION INVOLVES COSTS. THESE COSTS COULD EITHER
BE DIVIDED AMONG THE ALLIES PARTICIPATING IN THE MAN-
EUVERS OR THE COSTS COULD BE BORNE BY THE GOVERNMENT
MAINLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE MANEUVER.
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS THE LATTER PROCEDURE WOULD
SEEM TO US EASIER TO HANDLE. IF THIS IS ACCEPTABLE TO
THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE
OVER THE COSTS FOR THE INVITATION OF OBSERVERS TO

"GROSSER BAER", WHILE THE UNITED STATES WOULD COVER THE COSTS WITH RESPECT TO "LARES TEAM".

WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO HAVE YOUR VIEWS ON THIS MATTER.
END FRG TEXT.

2. GESCHER ASKED US WHEN THE U.S. DRAFT TEXT ON EXERCISE "LARES TEAM" WILL BE TABLED. HE POINTED OUT THAT TIME IS GROWING SHORT AND THE FRG PREFERRED TO MOVE AHEAD ON THESE ISSUES NOW RATHER THAN AT THE LAST MOMENT. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE REGARDING TABLING OF DRAFT TEXT.

3. WE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THIS MEETING WITH GESCHER TO ASK ABOUT THE EXCHANGE OF MILITARY ATTACHES WITH SEVERAL EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (REFTEL). A MEMBER OF GESCHER'S STAFF WHO WAS PRESENT INDICATED THAT THE FRG WOULD PROBABLY EXCHANGE ATTACHES FIRST WITH ROMANIA TO BE FOLLOWED BY EXCHANGES WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND BUDAPEST (SEE BONN 11946 NOTAL WHICH PROVIDED THE LATEST INFORMATION ON THE PROSPECTIVE EXCHANGE WITH THE SOVIET UNION). THE OFFICIAL ADMITTED
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THAT HIS INFORMATION WAS OUT OF DATE, BUT HE PROMISED TO CHECK WITH THE DEFENSE MINISTRY AND ADVISE US ACCORDINGLY.
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